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WAR APPROACHING BETWEEN UNITED STATES AND COLOMBIA AND INITIAL PREPARATIONS BEING MADE IN BOTH COUNTRIES



BLUE-JACKETS FROM THE "NASHVILLE" STARTING ON A TRIP OF INSPECTION ALONG THE PANAMA RAILROAD ON AN "ARMORED" CAR.

Plans to Entertain Fleet.

The Merchants' Association is making every effort to secure the cooperation of citizens and entertainers in Honolulu to make things pleasant for the officers and men of Admiral Evans's fleet while in port. The following correspondence between the Merchants' Association and the James Neill Company sets forth a plan for one series of entertainments:

Honolulu, Dec. 11, 1903. The James Neill Co., City. Gentlemen: At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association held this afternoon, it was resolved "that the James

Neill Co. be asked to co-operate in any way they see fit with the plans for entertaining the officers and men of the American fleet during their stay in Honolulu," and I was directed to and take pleasure in notifying you of the acttion taken. Very respectfully,

P. R. HELM, Sec'y Merchants' Association.

The reply of the Neill Co. is as fol-

Honolulu, T. H., Dec. 12, 1903. P. R. Helm, Esq., Sec'y Merchants' As-

sociation, City. Dear Sir: Replying to your favor of yesterday, we beg to state that we are heartily in accord with you in any death to a room in a small structure movement that would tend to promote the entertainment for the squad-

ron expected here. In furtherance of your wishes and in deference to suggestions made by numerous citizens we shall, beginning with next Tuesday, at which time the fleet will no doubt be here, give per-

formances every night. In consideration of the occasion, we shall also reduce the prices of admission, not only to the officers and men of the fleet, but to the public at large. For the balance of the Neill engage-

ment, we shall charge as follows: Orchestra and dress circle \$1.00 in-

stead of \$1.50. Balcony, 50c. instead of 75c.

Gallery, 25c. instead of 50c. Trusting that this will meet with the approbation of your henorable body, we are,

Very respectfully yours, EDWIN H. NEILL, J. C. COHEN.

STRIPPED AND

While a number of Japanese were carousing in a room on Liliha street to keep evil spirits from hovering near The Japs invited him into the room and | ple.

after getting him there forcibly took most of his clothes off and beat him severely. After abusing him for a while they kicked him into the street. The Chinaman reported the matter to the police who arrested Muri, the Jap who led his countrymen in chastising

The Business Association CARPENTER WIELDED

W. W. Carpenter, a colored cook in the Owl lunch room, got into an altercation with a white customer last night about 7 o'clock, and was about to assault the latter with a long butcher knife when Lieut. Spencer of the police disarmed him. Spencer was passing at the time the assault was about to take place. No harm was done.

PRELATE IS DEAD

Lay Say, High Priest of the temple of How Wong Miu, lies in state within the shadow of the temple and the altars which he has served in Honolulu for more than a quarter of a century. The well known Chinese died yesterday morning after a lingering illness, and the remains will be buried this afternoon with all the pomp and ceremony possible to muster in so short a time. The funeral procession is scheduled to start at 2:30 from the temple on Beretania street near River street.

The body of the Chinese priest was removed from the temple shortly after within the temple enclosure, and an altar was erected just outside, protected from sun and rain by canvas canopies. The priests of the temple in their robes officiated before the deities which were emblazoned on long scrolls, and the air was split with the incessant screech of Chinese flageolets and other celestial

musical instruments. It was a weird sight just before midnight when the priests assembled before the altar where the punks were burning and the Chinese band playing. The pathetic side of the picture was shown when nine or ten white robed creatures crouched upon the ground before the altar on their knees with their foreheads resting upon the ground. There they remained, the widow and family of eight children of the deceased, until the music ceased, when they arose and went inside the room where the priest lay in state, his spangled robes glittering in the light of a few

The widow was placed upon a couch and surrounded with her children, they filled the night with their sobs and groans. The priests meanwhile placed a dish filled with oil and lighted wicks at the feet of the priest and fed the flames with papers whose mission was

ISLE YESTERDAY AFTERNOOF

A BUTCHER KNIFE of Admiral Cooper was sighted from Midway Island and the news was promptly cabled to Honolulu. The names of the cruisers were as follows: Raleigh, Cincinnati, Albany and New Orleans, accom- tion on the Isthmus satisfactory to Colombia, the United States panied by the collier Pompey.

> A boat from the latter vessel was dispatched to the island for mail, and a quantity of mail matter was brought off and put aboard the collier. The collier was also furnished with a budget of news. The fleet should arrive at Honolulu on Tuesday.

SENATOR CLARK THE MAN WHO GRAFTED AN EAR

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- Senator Clark of Montana is recovering from a mastoid operation of the ear.

lowing Philadelphia telegram of Nov. I never asked him to explain.

millionaire whose name the surgeon willing to have their names know says he is under bond not to reveal. later. The operation was to have been performed in New York, but District At- directions upon an elongated bed. One torney Jerome is said to have inter- half of the volunteer's ear-the upper

ing to sell an ear for \$5,000, and of 300

Dr. Nelden said today: "The opera- bound so they cannot move their heads. tion has been performed and promises name of my patient.

"Generally speaking, he is a wealthy teer's scalp. man from the West. How he lost one been cut off with a sharp instrument. grafted in the same manner."

The above dispatch recalls the fol- I believe he says it was accidental, but

The operation took place at a pr Dr. Andrew L. Nelden, of New York, vate hospital here, where I was assisttoday performed the operation of graft- ed by a Philadelphia physician and one ing an ear upon the head of a Western from New York. I think they will be

"The two men were placed in opposithalf-was cut off, together with about Dr. Nelden advertised for a man will- four inches of the skin behind the ear.

"This was twisted around and fitted applicants he selected a young German to a freshly prepared wound upon my who conducts a restaurant in New patient's head. The half ear was held in place by bandages and the two men

"They must retain this position for at to be successful. I am under legal con- least twelve days, to allow the circulatract and heavy bond not to reveal the tion to come through the flap of skin that still remains a part of the volun-

"If this half ear starts to unite prop ear I do not know. It appears to have erly, the lower half of the ear will be

DEATH OF LORD ABINGER IN PARIS

LONDON, Dec. 13 .- Lord Abinger has died in Paris of heart

Lord Abinger was one of the younger set of the British nobility. He was but thirty-two years old. Eleven years ago he succeeded his father. During the South African war Abinger was captain of the Third Battalion of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders.

SCOTLAND AHEAD.

EDINBURGH, Dec. 13.-Bain of Scotland has defeated Carthe body.

Lay Say was the owner of the tem-

General Bell, in That Event, Will Command America's Invading Forces.

He is Summoned by President Roosevelt for Consultation-Colombian Troops Begin Campaign.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13 .- The elections in Colombia have resulted in the defeat of President Marroquin and the triumph of General Reyes, who is chosen as chief of State. The Reyes party is for war. General Bell has been summoned by President Roosevelt to consult as to the campaign in case troops are sent against Colombia. Bell would probably command an army of invasion.

CARTAGENA, Dec. 13.-Colombian cruisers have landed 400 men at the mouth of the Atrata to cut roads preparatory to an invasion of Panama.

With Colombian troops landed at the mouth of the Atrata river and cutting their way into the interior of the Isthmus towards Panama there is probability that fighting will ensue within a few days. The Atrata river empties into the Gulf of Daren, on the Caribbean sea side of the Isthmus, only about 250 miles from Panama, but the country through which the men must march is heavily wooded and made up of almost impassable mountains.

Colombian troops could have been brought along the coast from Cartagena to the mouth of the Atrata river on vessels which could have hugged the Colombian shore all the way and thus not come in serious conflict with the American vessels.

The views of General Reyes as to the possibility of war were set forth on Nov. 20, in an Associated Press dispatch as follows:

"This morning Admiral Coghlan informed me officially that the United States would prevent the landing of Colombian troops on any part of the Isthmus. I promised Admiral Coghlan that Colom-About 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the cruiser fleet in command bia would not take such action until I reached Washington, whither I am proceeding via Port Limon and New Orleans.

"I also told Admiral Coghlan that if my efforts at Washington failed to bring about some arrangement concerning the present situawould have to fight the entire Colombian people, and that it would be a second Boer war.

"I am going to Washington for the purpose of doing my utmost

to amicably arrange affairs. "Colombia is in desperation. I doubt if the Washington government or President Roosevelt, for whom I have the highest respect, realizes the seriousness of establishing this precedent. The large German colony in Rio Grande du Sol, Brazil, is declared to be inclining to a revolutionary movement for independence, which the

success of Panama will stimulate. "The government of Colombia is receiving the sympathy of all South America, which is fearful of further American territorial aggrandizement in this direction.

"I may propose, when in Washington, a plan contemplating the e-entrance of Panama into the Colombian union and the moving of the Colombian capital to Panama city. I am sure that this idea will receive the support of all Colombians. I do not just know what my course of action will be, but I am going to Washington in the interests of Colombia and of civilization."

Asked whether Colombian troops could reach the Isthmus by land, General Reyes answered: "Yes, I can get 100,000 men, build roads, and, if it were not for the Americans, could subdue the Isthmus in a fortnight. I would rather die for the honor and in the defense of the integrity of my country than sit with hands folded and see her lose the Isthmus. I will do all I can at Washington to effect a diplomatic arrangement, if such be possible. I know the sentiments of my countrymen."

General J. Franklin Bell is the man who so furiously prosecuted the campaign against the Filipino General, Malvar, one of the most famous fighters of the Philippines, that the "antiimperialist" press compared him with General Weyler. Bell owes his high rank to the wonderful ability he has shown since the outbreak of our war in Cuba. On the opening of hostilities he was a first lieutenant of cavalry. He soon had command of a volunteer regiment serving in the Philippines, and for his distinguished services he was finally appointed a brigadier-general in the regular army, being promoted over the heads of more than one thousand senior officers. Bell is regarded as specially fit for fighting in a mountainous and

Against Marroquin in the contest for the presidency of Colombia, were pitted General Raphael Reyes, the Colombian commissioner to Washington, and General Joaquin Velez. Reyes was always considered an advocate of the Hay-Herran canal treaty which the Colombian Congress refused to ratify and Velez was considered a strong opponent of the treaty. Recent cables from Washington have announced the failure of Reyes's mission to Roosevelt, His will urge him to prosecute the war Washington, in case a compromise against the new republic, a thing he could not be reached.



PRESIDENT-ELECT REYES OF COLOMBIA.

election means that the Colombians threatened to do while on his way to

BRYAN IN ROME.

ROME, Dec. 13.-Wm. J. Bryan has arrived in this city.